## CITY OF PATERSON NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

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### TO ALL INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS OR AGENCIES

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by City of Paterson.

### REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about March 17, 2023 the City of Paterson, acting as the responsible entity for environmental review, intends to submit a request for a release of funds and certify to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that all environmental review requirements under Title I of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1977 (P.L. 95-128) and the regulatory sections under 24 CFR Part 58, being 58.40 and 58.5 have been satisfied and the Environmental Assessment that has been performed as part of the City's Environmental Review Record is on file for review.

### **Activity Description**

# Housing New Construction

Paterson Habitat for Humanity CHDO project is a new construction project consisting of eight (8) single family homes being developed in a low/mod income area (4<sup>th</sup> Ward) of the City of Paterson. The property addresses are **177**, **179**, **181**, **183**, **185**, **187**, **189** and **191** Harrison Street.

The \$808,308 in HOME funds was derived from program years:

2019 – (\$351,781.65),

2020 - (148,213.35),

2021 - (\$308, 308.00).

The above activities may extend beyond one year of funding.

### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Paterson, Department of Community Development, Division of Housing, has determined that these projects will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional projects information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Department of Community Development 125 Ellison Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Paterson, NJ and may be examined or copied weekdays from 9:00 A.M to 4:00 P.M.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

All interested parties wishing to comment on this decision are invited to submit written comments to City of Paterson, Department of Community Development, 125 Ellison Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Paterson, NJ 07505 by **March 16, 2023**. All comments received by the City will be considered, and the City will not take any action on this project prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

### RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Paterson is certifying to HUD that André Sayegh, Mayor in his official capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that on approval, the City of Paterson will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept an objection to its release of funds and the City's certification for a period of fifteen (15) days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if it is on one of the following basis:

- (a) That the certification was not executed by the Certified Officer of the City of Paterson;
- (b) That the applicant's environmental review recorded for the project indicates omission of a required decision, finding, or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process,
- (c) The grant recipient has committed funds or incurred cost not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or
- (d) Another Federal agency, acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24CFR part 58) and may be addressed to HUD, Newark Area Office, Region II, One Newark Center, Newark, NJ 07102. An Environmental Review record applicable to the above-mentioned projects for which release of funds will be requested has been prepared for the City of Paterson. The information pertaining to these projects is on files and available to the public for examination and copying at the Department of Community Development, 125 Ellison Street, Paterson, New Jersey, on weekdays from 9:00 A.M to 4:00 P.M.

BY ORDER OF:

André Sayegh, Mayor

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